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## NEW TELEPHONE COMPANY

Dinwiddie County Farmers Will  
Soon Be Able to Talk to  
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PETERSBURG, VA., August 22.—The store of B. T. Morris, in Prince George county, a few miles from Disputanta, was destroyed by fire this morning, with the stock of general merchandise. There was no insurance on the building, Mr. Morris believes the fire to have been the work of some malicious person, who may also have committed robbery. He telephoned to "Hurricane" branch for his bloodhound.

There was a pretty marriage last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James I. Seal in the village of Swift Creek, in Chesterfield county, when their daughter, Miss Ora Seal, was united in wedlock to Mr. Samuel D. Jones, a well-known citizen of the village and an employee of the Chesterfield Manufacturing Company. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. W. Moore, of the city.

A gentleman and his wife, while driving in Dinwiddie county yesterday evening, narrowly escaped death from a passing train on the Seaboard Air Line at the Cox Road crossing. They did not see or hear the train. The horse reached the track the train whirled by, the locomotive grinding the animal's head a moment later and the couple might have been dashed to death.

## New Telephone Company.

More than the minimum amount of stock of the Dinwiddie County Telephone Company has been subscribed and a charter of incorporation is to be applied for with officers named for the first year as follows: W. M. Sterne, president; Dr. R. C. Jones, vice-president; J. J. Sutherland, secretary; L. E. Young, treasurer. Board of directors: The above officers and C. M. Rives, J. C. Crawford and R. H. Lewis. The company will establish its central office at DeWitt, whence wires will be run to all points in the county, and the work of the interior will be begun without delay. The officers and directors of the company are all well-known citizens of the county.

## On His Travels.

Gus Koehler and his family, consisting of his wife and three children, traveling in a one-horse wagon, arrived in Petersburg last evening from Richmond, in good condition and after resting, will go on to the James-town Exposition. Koehler says he left Cincinnati on June 4th, on his tour of the world, which will embrace Europe. He does some work in painting signs on his travels.

Sarah Robinson, a negro, who followed in the wake of a carnival company and dropped off in Petersburg two or three years ago, has attempted three times to end her life here. Late last night she swallowed a quantity of laudanum and was only rescued from death by the prompt work of Dr. W. P. Hay, who was called to attend her.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hartley left for New York last evening to meet their daughter, Miss Laeta, and son, Mr. Irving L. Hartley, who are on their voyage home from Europe. Miss Hartley has been abroad for several years, pursuing her musical studies. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Barham have returned from the Blue Ridge Springs, where they spent several weeks.

## No Right to the Medals.

In the Mayor's Court this morning Harry Preston and Major Austin, colored, were fined \$10 each for having in their possession dog medals which were not their property and for which they could show no receipt. There have been many complaints by owners of dogs of the loss of their medals. The two men said they found the medals, but it so it was not considered honest to keep them.

A large delegation of Pythians from Richmond will visit Eureka Lodge, in this city, next Monday evening, and will be given a cordial reception.

## RUSH CHOICE OF REPUBLICANS

Convention in Bristol Nominates  
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Other Candidates.

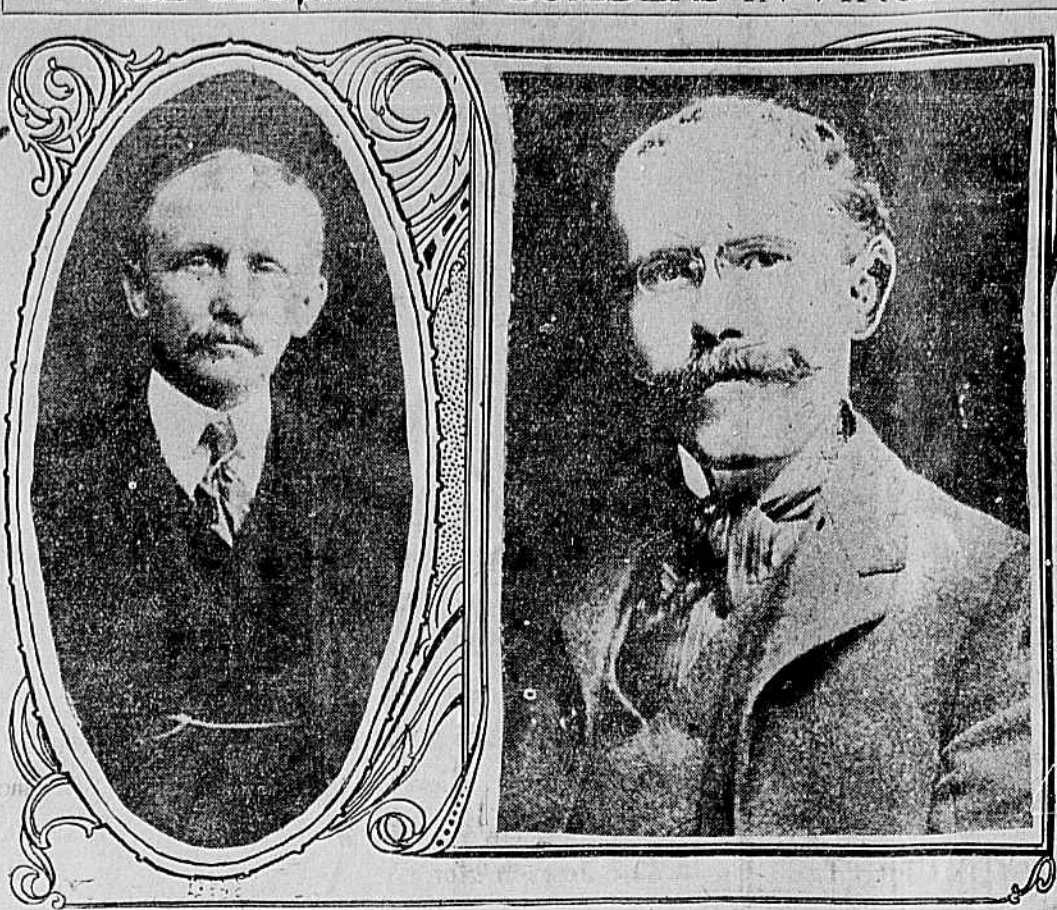
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BRISTOL, VA., August 22.—The Republicans of Bristol held a mass meeting to-night and elected delegates to the convention to be held here Saturday afternoon at which time the candidates for the State Senate and two candidates for the House of Delegates are to be named.

The meeting endorsed M. H. Rush of Bristol, for Senator from the counties of Washington and Smyth and the city of Bristol. Resolutions were adopted expressing approval of the local option system in effect in Virginia and condemning the dispensary system.

Prominent among the candidates for the senatorial nomination were Mr. Rush, Mr. L. L. Lincoln, Mr. M. H. Frank Brownlow, of Abingdon, J. W.

## WILL BECOME SHIPBUILDERS IN VIRGINIA



EDWIN S. CRAMP.  
Messrs. Cramp and Norris, prominent capitalists of Philadelphia, have purchased an extensive tract of land in the month of the Elizabeth River, and will erect a shipbuilding plant there. Mr. Cramp was formerly with the Cramp Shipbuilding Company, and Mr. Norris is a banker.

Hortensine, of Wyndale, Washington county, and Dr. W. M. Phillips, of Wallace.

## FIND RIFLE IN BRANCH WHERE SOLDIER DROPPED IT

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FREDERICKSBURG, VA., August 22.—Justus Johnson, of Philadelphia, in driving over the battlefields in Spotsylvania county, stopped at the home of E. L. Landrum at Bloody Angle, on whose farm the monument of the Forty-ninth New York Regiment was erected. He purchased a number of relics from Mr. Landrum, among them a Springfield rifle which the Landrum found in a branch last March. The rifle had been lying under the water since the battles fought over forty years ago and the water preserved it. The Piedmont Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad (narrow gauge, running from this city to Orange Court House, has purchased a new freight locomotive for use in their freight service.

## MAJOR WOODING WELCOMES COLORED S. S. WORKERS

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DANVILLE, VA., August 22.—The thirty-eighth session of the Virginia Baptist State Sunday-School Association (colored) is in session in this city, and is being attended by delegates prominent among their race from all parts of the State.

President R. H. Hill of Richmond, the pastor of the True Reformers Bank, is presiding. Reports were read today by J. H. Blackwell, of Manchester, and Nelson Williams, Jr., of Richmond.

## COMMISSIONERS ARE NAMED FOR SHENANDOAH COUNTY

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WOODSTOCK, VA., August 22.—Hon. T. W. Harrison, judge of the Circuit court of Shenandoah county, under the new law, has announced the appointment of the following commissioners of the revenue for the county: David District, George H. Smay, John Ashby District, Charles M. Golladay, Stonewall District, J. B. Burner, Madison District, Charles P. Wightman, Ashby District, Simon Hesser, and Lee District, Berryman T. B. Bowman. Four of these are Democrats and two Republicans.

## Vote in Norfolk Primary.

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NORFOLK, VA., August 22.—According to the official count of the votes cast in the Norfolk county primary, held to-day, the vote for the senatorial candidates in the county was 1,213 for John A. Lerner and 227 for William G. Parker. The official vote in the city of Portsmouth, which, with the county, constitutes the senatorial district, has not yet been announced, but Parker received a majority there of between 200 and 300.

## Lightning Sets Fire to Barn.

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